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# Integrated LED Lamps

Testing Results: A Sampling of Products from Major Retailers

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SSL Market Introduction

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#### **Retail LED Lamp Testing**



- What's really out there for consumers to purchase?
- CALiPER Retail Replacement Lamp Special Reports
  - Anonymous purchases
  - Omnidirectional, directional, and decorative lamps
  - Wide variety of manufacturers and retailers
  - LM-79 photometric testing (sphere only) conducted on three samples of each lamp







#### **Summary:** <u>Initial</u> Retail Replacement Lamps Study



- Products purchased July & August 2010
- Large disparities between high performing and low performing products
  - Most of the lamps failed to meet basic performance parameters for use as replacements for incandescent or halogen lamps
- Wide differences among retailers
  - Most carrying (at least some) very low quality products
- Differences among manufacturers
  - Some consistent, some very inconsistent in performance across different products

#### **Retail Replacement Lamps, Take Two!**





38 Total Products.

9 Different Retailers.

18 Different Manufacturers.

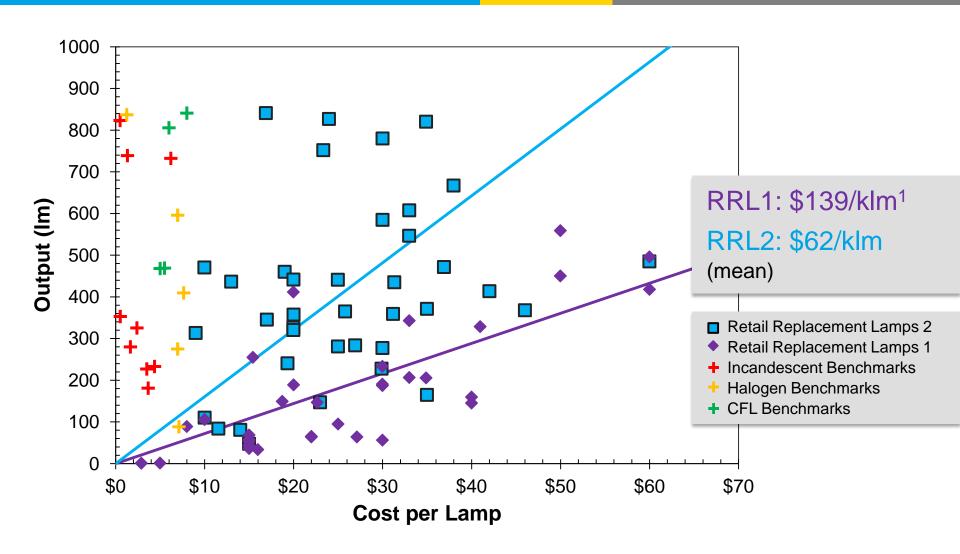
# **Retail Replacement Lamp Testing**



	Round 1 (RRL1) July & August 2010		Round 2 (RRL2) November 2011	
Purchase Dates:				
<b>Total Products:</b>	33		38	
Product Types: (nominal)	MR16/PAR16 <sup>1</sup> PAR20/R20 PAR30/R30 A19	11 4 7 5	MR16/PAR16 (120 V) PAR20/R20 PAR30/R30 A19	9 5 8 11
	B10 (Candelabra) C7 (Nightlight)	4 2	G25	5
Retailers:	Ace Hardware BJ's Home Depot Lowe's Target Walmart Sam's Club Sears		Ace Hardware BJ's Home Depot Lowe's Target Walmart Amazon Costco Menard's	

<sup>1.</sup> Products operated at different voltages.

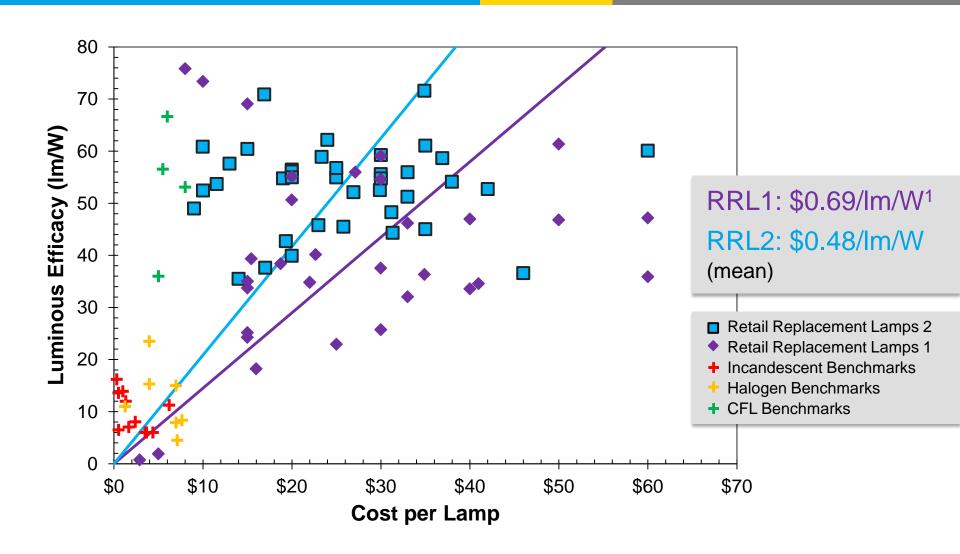




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#### Bang for the Buck? Luminous Efficacy

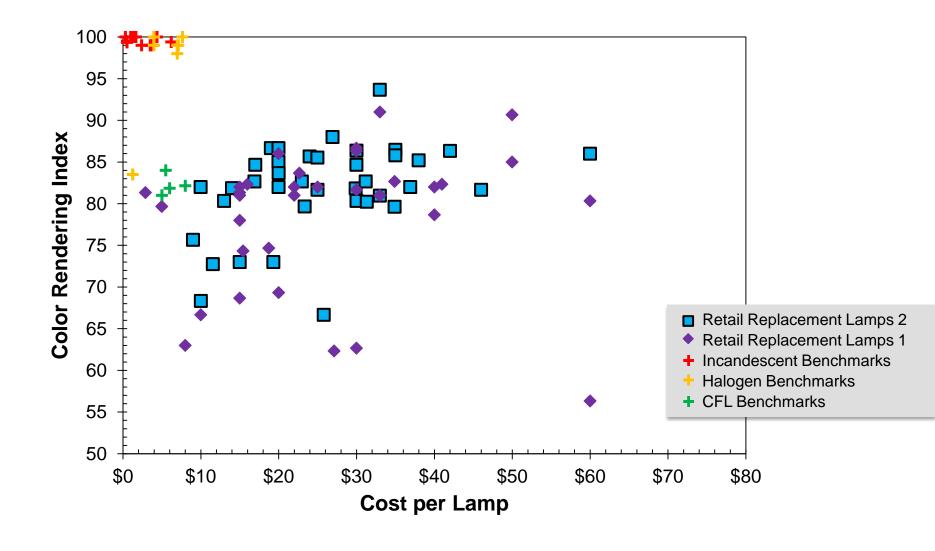


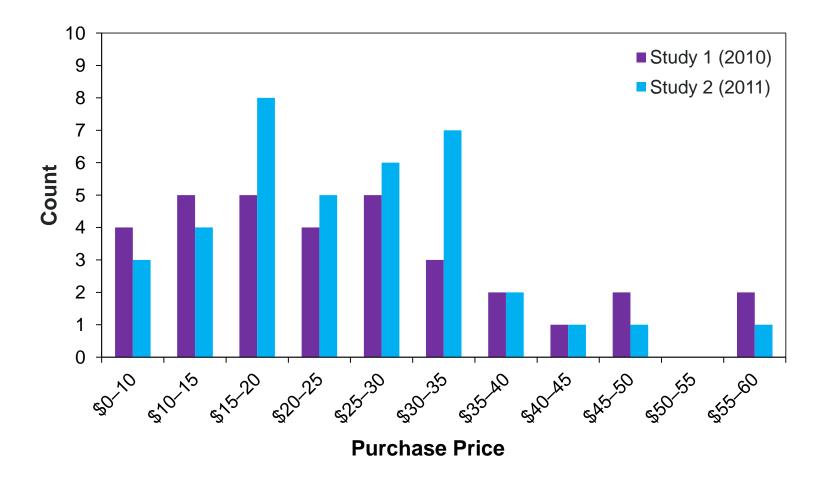


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### Bang for the Buck? Color Rendition







#### **Benchmarks for Performance**



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- Rounds 2–13 (2007–2011)
- RRL1 (2010)
- Anonymous purchases, LM-79 testing

#### LED Lighting Facts

- Data downloaded January 16, 2012
- Manufacturer-supplied LM-79 data
- Recommended performance levels

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- Integral LED Lamps Version 1.4
- Some requirements vary by lamp type
  - Omnidirectional, Directional, Decorative, etc.

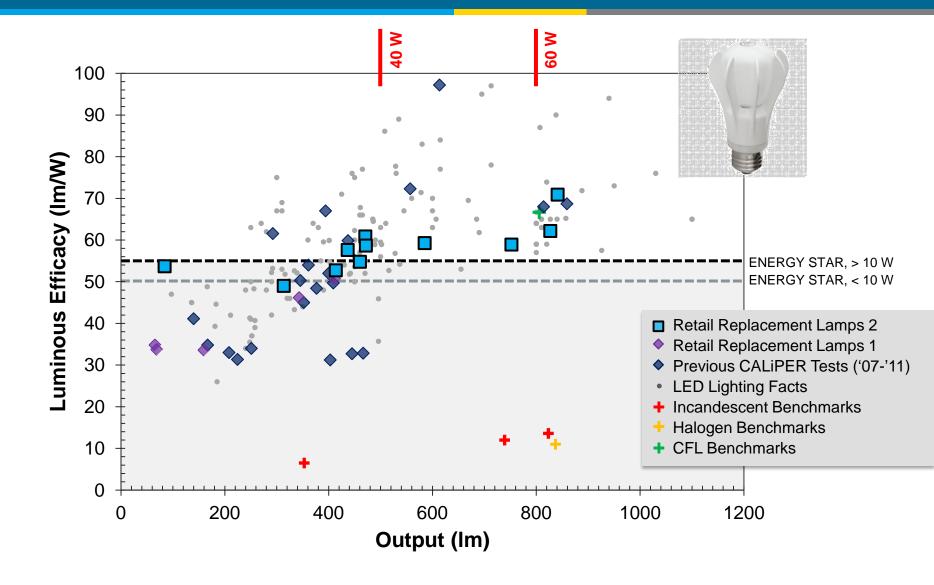






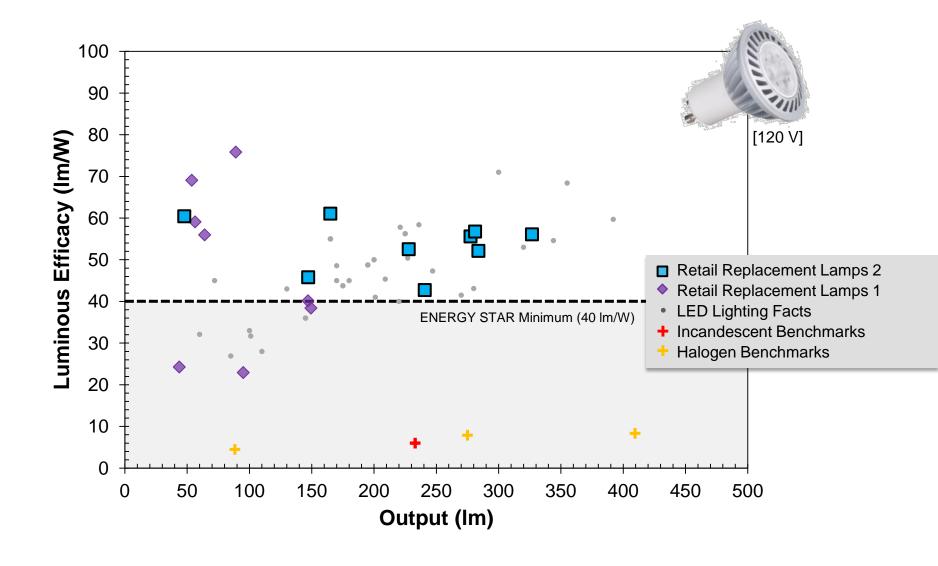
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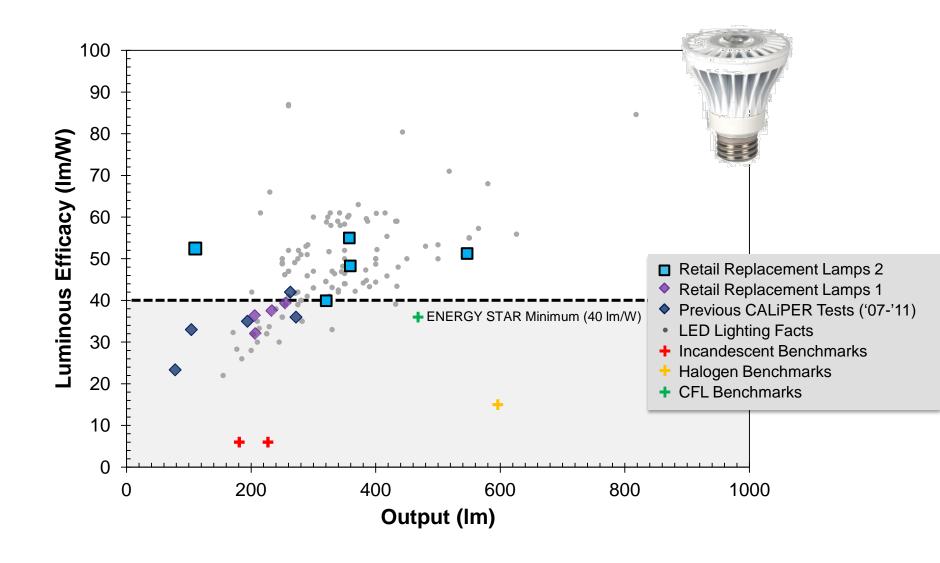
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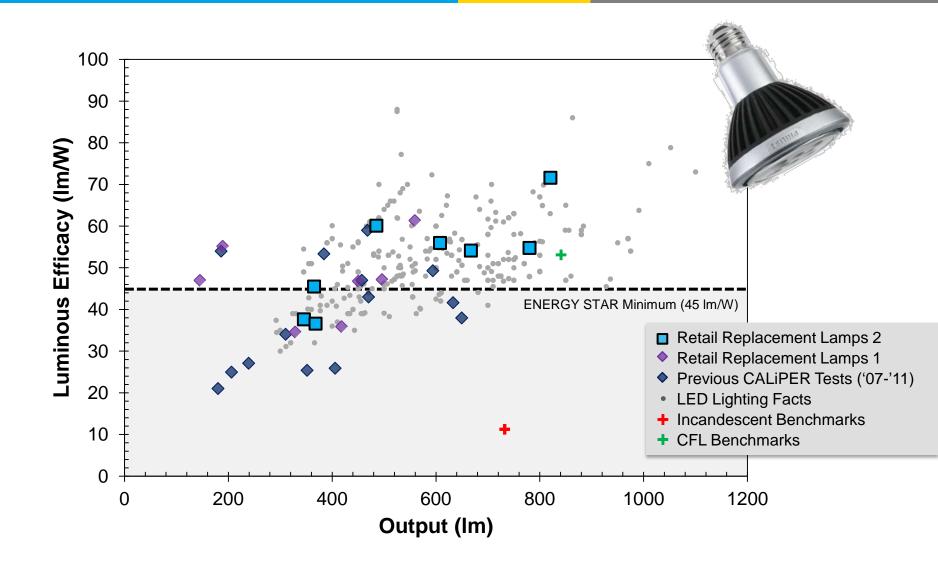
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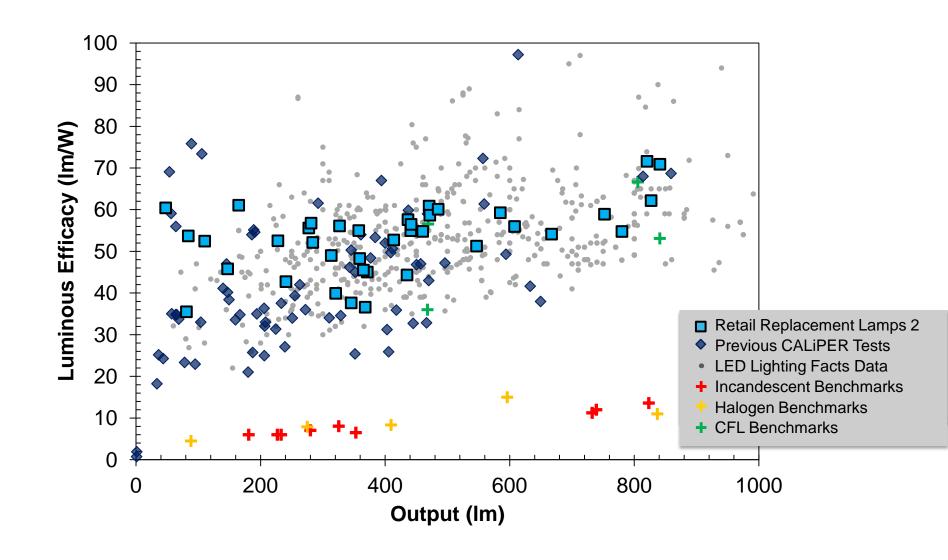


## Performance vs. Benchmarks: PAR30 Lamps



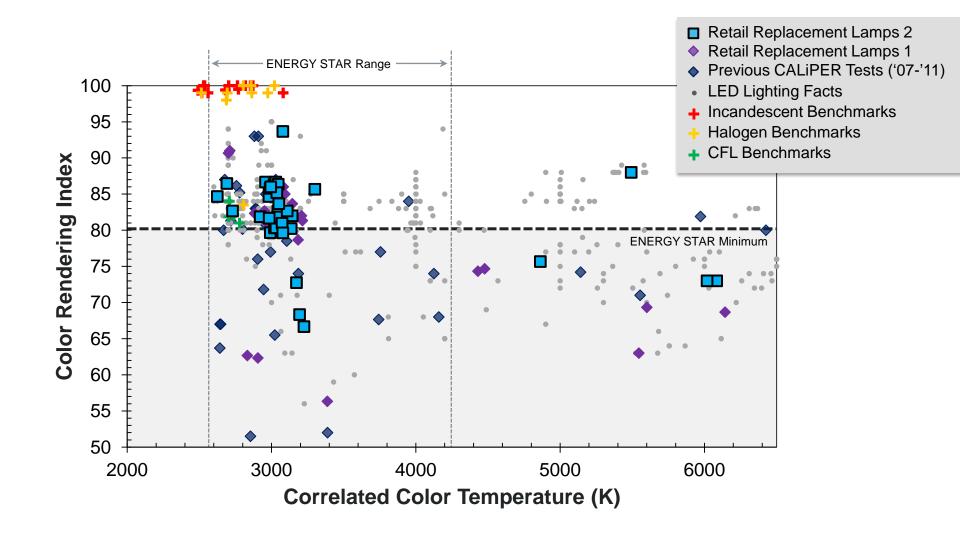






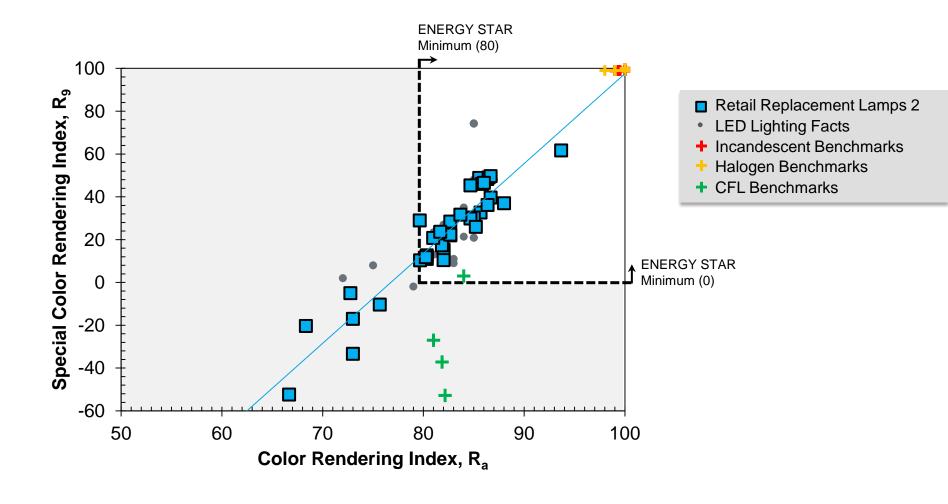
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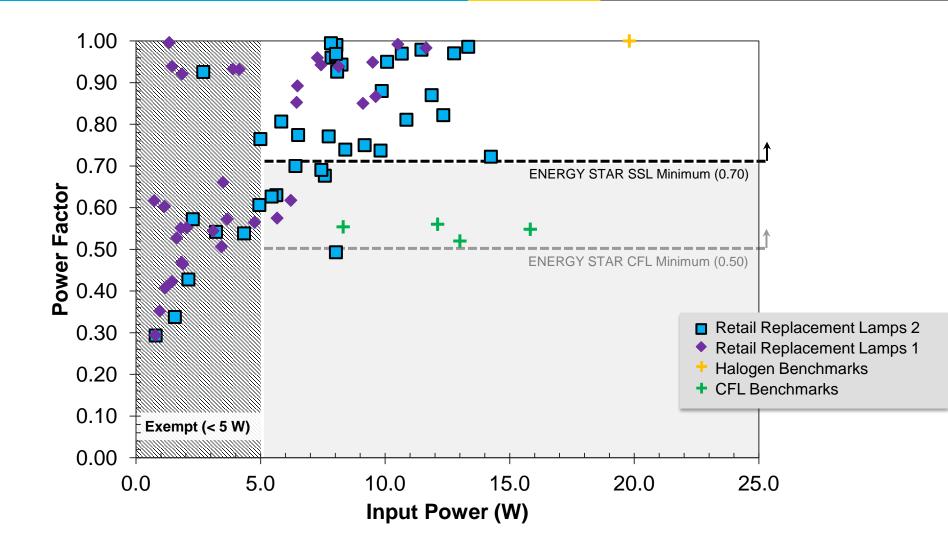
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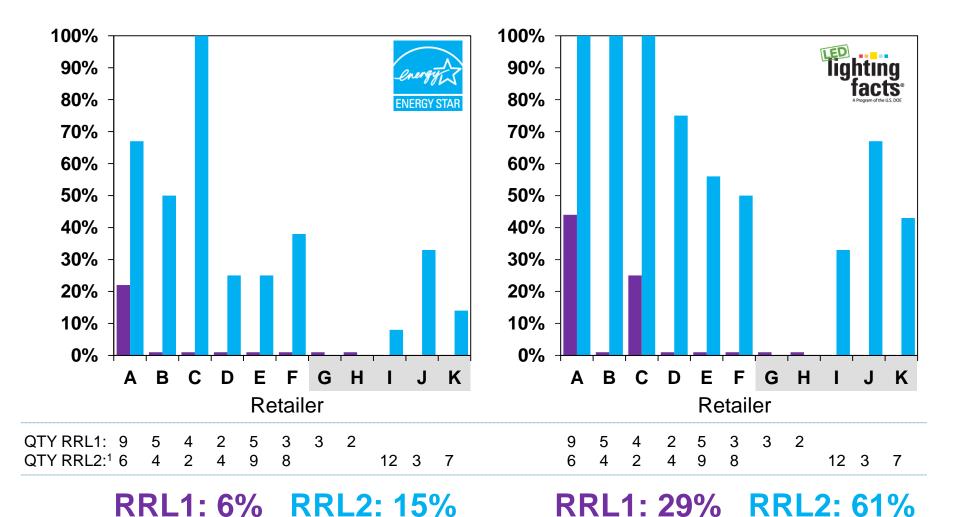
#### Performance vs. Benchmarks: Electrical





#### **Product Labeling:** Substantial Improvements

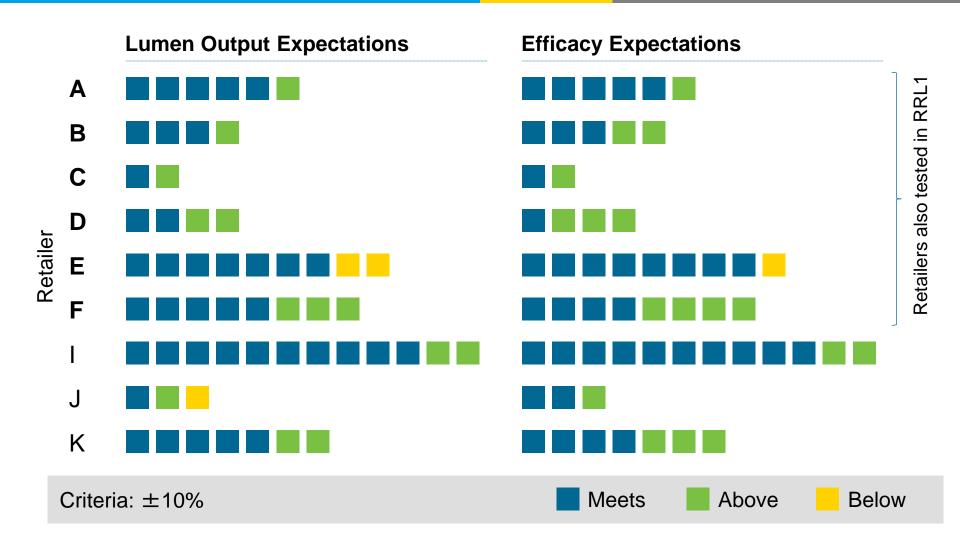




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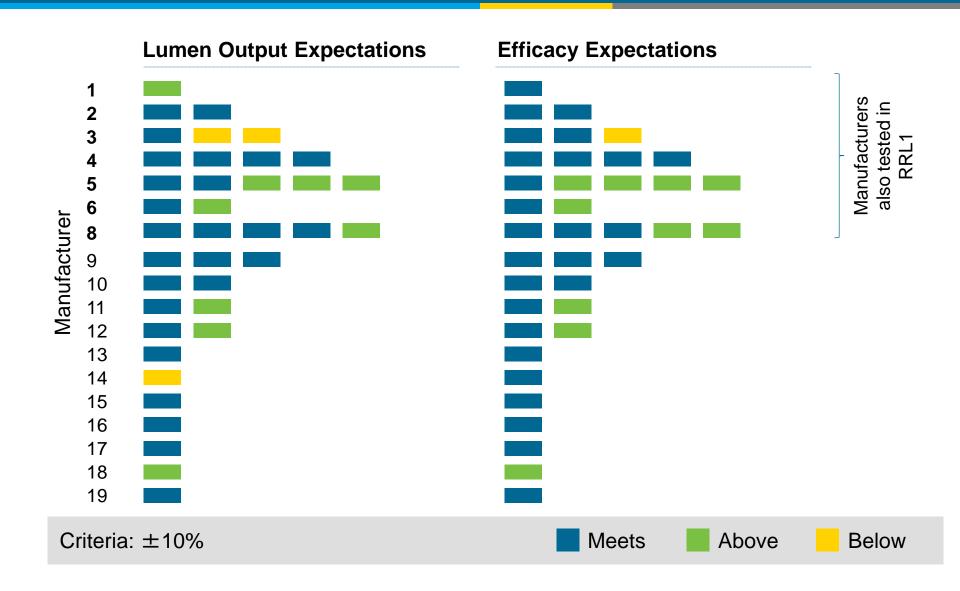
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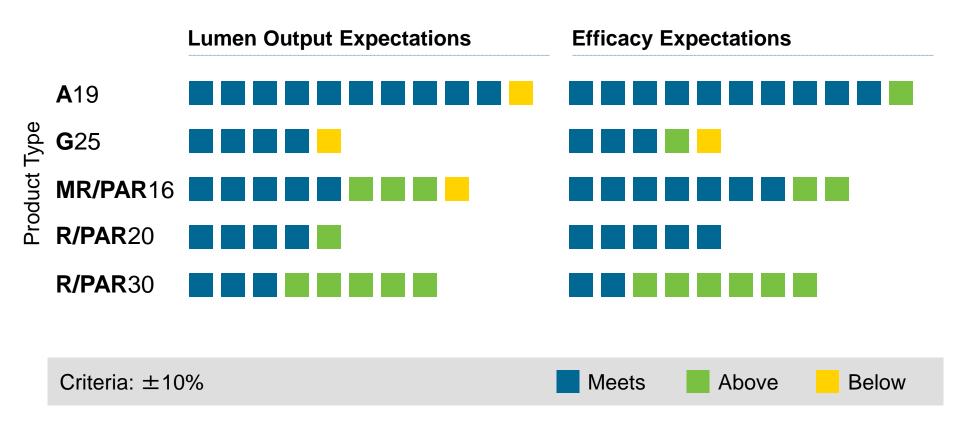
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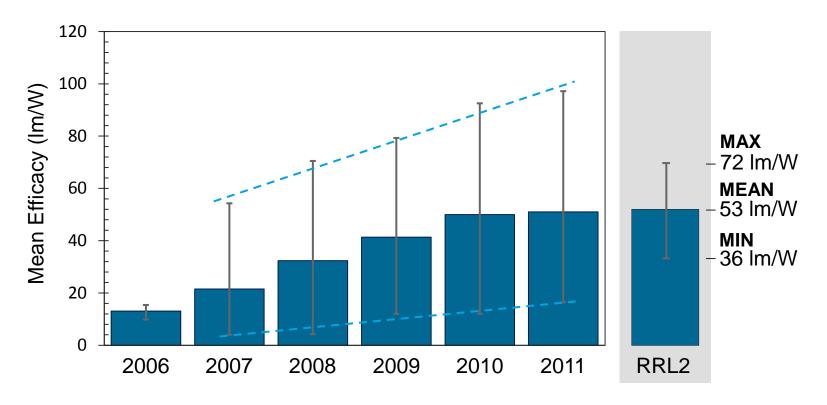


#### **Not All LEDs Are Created Equal**



### Range of efficacies continues to be wide, and getting wider

- Range partly due to numerous product types, with different requirements
- Maximum efficacy continues to rise year by year
- Smaller range for replacement lamps, but similar average



#### Summary: Since 2010...



- Overall performance generally much improved
  - Higher lumen output and efficacy
    - Products reach higher lumen output milestones
  - Better color rendering
- Substantial increase in performance per dollar
  - Cost still higher than incandescent or CFL
- Increased prevalence of product labels
- Some products still outside ANSI tolerances
- Better at meeting manufacturer data
- Equivalency claims not always met, although problems less frequent
- There are still some products that would not make good replacements for conventional lamps—careful evaluation is important!

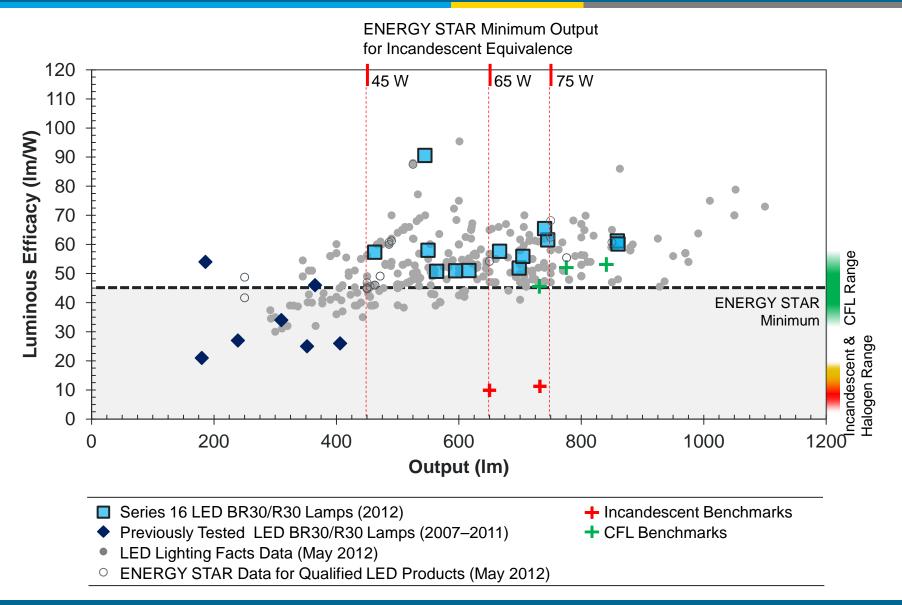
# **CALIPER LED Lamp Testing**





# LED BR30/R30 Results (Available Now)





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